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**PATENT**  
**36856.692**

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<b>Applicant:</b> Yasuhiro TANAKA	
<b>Serial No.:</b> 09/931,685	
<b>Filed:</b> August 16, 2001	<b>Art Unit:</b> 2817
<b>Title:</b> CENTER ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR, NONRECIPROCAL CIRCUIT DEVICE AND COMMUNICATION APPARATUS USING THE SAME	<b>Examiner:</b> S. Jones

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page      of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page      of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet. An **Appendix** including the amended drawing figures is attached following page      of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper

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Please find attached hereto the following documents for the above-identified application:

Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,



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